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FM USDEL SECRETARY IN ANKARA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0123

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FOR GLEYSTEEEN AND LORD FROM GOMPERT

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: PRC COMMENT ON MAYAGUEZ OPERATION

REFS: (A) TOSEC 010254 (B) TOSEC 010259

1. SECRETARY WANTS YOU TO GO AHEAD WITH PROTEST PROPOSED
REF A.

2. HOWEVER, HE WANTS YOU TO BOIL DOWN THE TALKING POINTS.
HE WANTS LESS JUSTIFICATION. HE INDICATED YOU SHOULD DRAW ON
FOLLOWING POINTS:

- (A) WE HAVE ALREADY STATED OUR POSITION ON THIS MATTER;
 - (B) THE PRC KNOWS THAT NO ESPIONAGE WAS INVOLVED;
 - (C) IN THE ABSENCE OF A RESPONSE TO OUR DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS
WE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO TAKE ACTION;
 - (D) SUCH STATEMENTS AS HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE PRC CREATE
A SERIOUS IMPACT ON OUR PUBLIC OPINION;
 - (E) THESE STATEMENTS ALSO RAISE SERIOUS QUESTIONS
ABOUT OUR RELATIONS.
- KISSINGER

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